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"MANY MEN OF MANY MINDS."

THE VIRGINIAN-PILOT, claiming it does claim an earnest desire to be said, that ought to be said, not only for right in all things, and to teach men honestly, carefully and studiously seeks to avoid error, reach the truth and tell from publication,-fully impressed with Cooper's Indians are far more misrepright and true, diligence in their discovery, and unwavering fidelity in their reasons that justify adequately the existence of a public journal that presumes to express opinions upon men and things. Whether THE VIRGI-NIAN-PILOT is what it thinks it is, what it believes it ought to be, and what it claims to be, is for its judicious all our readers, disagree with us as that general welfare which, founded in fend them as "according to Indian nasurest and most permanent benefit of norant, good, bad and indifferent,-as God's bounties and blessings, of a gen- dians far better than Cooper eral character, are for everyone, with-

one what it would not another. secondarily, in its behalf.

As, for instance, murder is wrong, primarily because it is the most injurlous breach of trust one can commit wild animals (even tigers, when not against another, in violation of the furious with wrath or hunger) exhibit common bond of mutual protection, some gratitude to their benefactors, help and confidence entered into at the formation of human society. But it is the graces forbidden by God, expressly; by the pages, he will not find him there, laws of man; it is punished by electro- There is yet something to be su cution, hanging, beheading, garroting, for the Indian; for would the wh shooting, or imprisonment for life; it man, of the best Anglo-Saxon type, is cruel and barbarous; it brings re-morse to any enlightened moral sense; he had been subjected to the treatme it deprives the family of a husband, accorded to the American Aborini father and provider; it destroys a citizen; it sets an evil example that puts Cruel? Who had taught him mereveryone in jeopardy, drives away the sense of eafety and brings in a harassing apprehension and distrust; and so on through all the reasons against rassing apprenension that the reasons against the trust? It is agreed by the beautiful ties that, at first, the American Indian homicide, laying stress, however, on those that are calculated chiefly to invaders, and put much confidence convince each one, in turn, that the these apparently superior beings for a blunder and error of judgment.

Not only do motives to be appealed to vary with the person, but the method of appeal, to be most effective, must ture, self-defence, to hold his mail with the person addressed; for that which is self-evident in its perspiculty to one, may be "all Greek" to grounds; driven from place to place another, and a logical process "as stripped of all his possessions; ensure strong as proof of Holy Writ" to A., ed; hunted and shot down like a w may be a mere puzzle to B., or but beast; rewards offered for his scale; jargon to C., a stumbling-block to D., and to E., foolishness. Moods, too, rage were piled upon him. vary in all men, mentally and morally: If he became cruel, treacherous and I have been using my humble influence

to the same man, be only a dull and pointless lot of common-place platitude and inconsequent truism.

For these reasons, and others of some

ver done with any topic, or question, of importance. Addressing everybody at once, perforce in its manner of reaching the public, the newspaper, or said on any subject one day, is firing forcible and clear it may be, really, in as the copy-book proclaims, the same convince and persuade them to embrace the eternal verity committed to him. made, nevertheless, in wearing away

SAVAGE.

It is difficult to be believed, although of food and fuel, the testimony is overwhelming to that effect, that the American Indian is (or was) the incarnation of unmitigated cruelty, and that "the only 'good' Indian, is a dead Indian." Fenimore Cooper has been sternly condemned by writer of no little vogue, in summing dian, says that one in the acutest pain of death and thirst, will die in ecstacies of joy if he can only stab fatally th "pale-face" who gives him a drink of water. For all that, there is something to be

the Indian, but for Cooper, who did not was a familiar acquaintance of his early life and his paternal home. In fact, in common talk and relation. resented than he misrepresents the reduces us to a few "friendly" aborigines and kind to the white personages of the novels. Yet he represents these as "acquired" traits, very limited as to place, time, circumstance and person, in that outside of the narrow circle of whites, they have all the vices cribed generally to the Indian, and he tice these toward their enemies and de ries of novels, and he will see that the has, and lent them a heroic and roman tie halo he never gave them, nor intended them to have.

eribes worse character or conduct to the Indian than Cooper does to the "hosdraws him, he will find him the m or presenting it, as well as various mo-tives to be justly appealed to, at least delighting in murder for its own sale yet, after all, still capable of feeling some obligation for kindness, in a lim- denounce the Spanlards as a blood- not been touched by the frest,

were kind and hospitable to the wh crime is not only a moral offence, but afar; but soon, almost immediately, i deed, their kindness and confid were met with cruel and (reachers requital; insomuch that the Indian forced to resort to the first law of a

be good until he was dead, it was bething but a wild beast, driven to bay and frenzled by cruel pursuit.

THESWEET USES OF ADVERSITY.

There can be no question that, calculated in money, the losses caused in this country by what is called "bad weather," are immense in the aggregate. Frost, flood, snow and ice, with oncomitant and secondary causes, have from Maine to Texas and California. rops, have been destroyed, or greatly lamaged; wheat and other cereals have of the ground and blighted, or washed ransportation have been blocked and view; as St. Paul meant when he said or much hurt; inter-communication has that he "was all things to all mea," to been interrupted by land and water; the mails have been suspended confused; even in cities the snow and that of Sisyphus, eternally rolling up trade and industry; lands have been the hill a stone that perpetually re- inundated, and houses, soil and all coiled on him; yet some progress is thereon washed away, including harvests, planted seeds, animals, &c.; railwork itself has some attractions in been swept away by the combined force the variations required in the repeated of flood, ice, snow and storm; ice forges, snow drifts and the intense COOPER'S INDIAN AND THE REAL in manifold ways; many lives have of fierce wind-storms have brought loss been lost freezing and drowning; and nuch pain and distress caused by lack

enumeration in an endless statement. The aggregate loss and damage are simply stupendous;-probably amount ing to thousands of millions. Yet the nocked by others, for creating in his losses, involving everything and every noble traits, that never could their increased demand for everything, have existed except in his imagination. The real Indian is said to delight in their aroused enterprise, they seem to ake pride in them the more, the fur- A fellow-feeling is awakened in every tent, a redistribution of necessaries and cork; the money in the stocking and the cracked tea-pot is brought out; and t really appears that the common disster has been transformed into a gene ral blessing by the sympathy of feeling, community of interest, and coperation for repair and relief that have been developed.

As real as our losses are, and as minimum by generously sharing them, and, to our own surprise, we discover in ourselves and circumstances resources, unknown before, that more dduced; and we learn the lesson that who meet it with stout hearts, ready hands, and the apt inventions of a nec essity that is stern only to be kind.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

greed for fame and gold, allowed himamuse people whose morbid taste de- the Easter hat may draft.

scriptions of bull fights in Spain, and thirsty set, and we deplore the snakedances of the Indians, and, some of us at least pray that the benighted savages may be enlightened, but what about the thousands of men and women of basa't vanished, however, New York who assemble to see low browed, hungry-looking pugilists ham mer human bodies fashloned in the pulp at so much per whack, or a man law can be evaded. deliberately, throw his life away for : small stipend?

It strikes us that a vast number of the people of the United States ar either inconsistent or heathenish in pre-cept and example. Many of us are continually doing what we censure other people for. Are we going from good to bad, and from bad to werse?

A PATRIOT.

A gentleman of a central Virginia ounty, writing to THE VIRGINIAN-

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could realize whither we are drifting. and what to-day may be a potential ex- murderous, he had accomplished teach- for the last eight years against

all our people could lay aside partyism and get together some way and consider principles looking to the betterment of hangs the weal or woe of our coun-

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Of such men, their country's pride and defence, is the Phalanx of Patriotism,-alert, brave, incorruptible and indomitable! May their numbers and

Christian missionaries are again be ing murdered in China. The great powers are busy leasing Chinese territory and have no time to devote to natters of trivial import. There may e an exchange of notes between ambassadors and ministers and the Chiiese Fereign Office, but the regular sabit of murdering missionaries will reak out now and then until China is all parceled out and the quarrels over inequal divisions, prior claims, etc. erminate in mutual satisfaction, diplomatically expressed.

An exchange asks, what is the mater with Henri Watterson, of the Louisville Courier-Journal? Henri is probably on a still hunt for some hero who be nominated for the Presidency in 1900. Admiral Dewey's refusal to stand and Commissary General Eagan's departure for Hawali have somewhat disarranged

Italy feels insulted and has put a chip on her shoulder because China wouldn't consent to her land grabbing scheme. China will remain a weak and backward nation always, unless she familiarizes herself with the modern etiquette of European diplomacy,

Spain evidently recognizes and appreciates the ability of the United States to administer anything from a sound thrashing to a square meal. The first shipment made from America to that country since the war was a cargo

Another man arraigned for crime at-tributed his acts to "hypnotism." Why is it that "mania," "hypnotism" and ther kindred occult forces, never cause person to be self-respecting, decent and law-abiding?

It is published that some Daughters of the Revolution are boasting of their refusal to adhere to Speaker Reed's parliamentary rules. Speaker Reed himself has done that frequently, but he said little about it.

The plumbers are said to be forming t trust with \$30,000,000 capital. The next thing will probably be speculation by people who have had pulmbing done

human life jeepardized and enjoy a the privilege of being court-martialed the

image of God, into a resemblance to reached a point where the civil service

__VIRGINIAN-PILOT'S__ way and consider measures and principles looking to the betterment of the wealth-producers, for on them hangs the weal or wee of our coun-



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the war into the enemy's country. Rome took up the task and was successful for centuries. But in the seventh century of our era a new factor entered into the contest. Within 100 years after Mohammed's death his followers conquered more than half the civilized world. For 1,000 years they were a constant danger to Europe. The fear of invasion ended only in 163, when brave John Sobieski raised the slege of Vienna. Since that time the west has been the aggressor—England in India, France in Siam. And in our own day we see the insidious advances of Russia and Germany in China. In this connection only can the crusades be understood. They formed one phase of this world-old strife. They were a defensive war against the Mohammedans. They averted the danger of invasion by attacking the enemy in his own country.

The Mohammedans overran the domains of science as rapidly as they conquered the kingdoms of the earth. The desire for knowledge pressed them





had been turned into stables. He urged them to aid their brethren and to rescue the home of our Savior. He promised that all who undertook this task with contrile hearts should be released from all penance. He reminded them of the evils in their own country. He commanded them to turn from fratricidal strife to a holy war under the leadership of Christ.

The people shouted enthusiastically: "It is the will of God! It is the will of God!" The pope commanded them to take this as their battle cry and to sew upon their garments cloth crosses. Thousands took the cross at once and a crusade was assured. But instead of merely aiding Alexius the crusaders were determined to drive the Turks from the holy land and to regain Jerusalem.



PETER THE HERMIT.

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bones to build fortifications. Only Peter and a few others escaped in safely
to Constantinople.

In the summer and fall the nobles
started Among the leaders were Godfrey of Boulogne, Behemend of Sielly,
Raymond of Toulouse and Robert of
Normandy. But there was no one in
command and the bonds of discipline
were very lax. The bost may have
numbered 100,000 fighting men besides
the women and non-combatiants. The
participants thought the number much
greater. They went by different routes
to Constantiaciple. The emperor was
alarmed by their numbers and lack of
discipline, but still wanted to make use
of them. There was much fighting between the Greeians and the crusaders.
Finally a compromise was made, but
each party chafed and considered the

on unceasingly. One of their proverbs declares that "he dies not who gives life to learning." Wherever they went they learned whatever the inhabitants knew. From India they acquired mathematics, from Egypt irrigation, from every country some advance in the nrts or sciences. They became moted for their skill in medicine, agriculture and manufacturing. They built up a civilization in Spain which was up a civilization in Spain which was large and the world. Cordova in large of 500,000 the following the world. Cordova in large of the world world large of the leaders were large of the blood in large of the blood in large of the leaders were large of the blood in large of the leaders were large of the blood in large of the Saracens up to the knees of the Saracen

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